

HARNESSING THE TIDES.

They Should Be Made to Furnish Electricity to Large Cities.

The tides of the North and East rivers produce power enough to generate all the electricity to light New York and Brooklyn, to do all the mechanical work in the factories and machine shops and to run all the railroad lines in the city and suburbs, says the North American Review. This power is wasted, as formerly all the power of Niagara was allowed to expend itself in a profitless way. All that is required is to store this immense power and turn it into profitable use. The problem presented differs somewhat from that of Niagara. The tides are periodic and not constant and the power would have to be collected at the times of its greatest exertion and stored for later use.

The Niagara people have already proposed to run a line to New York to do what the tides of the Hudson and East rivers would accomplish right at home. Either undertaking is a large one, requiring the expenditure of millions of dollars. But the results would more than justify the outlay. An inexhaustible supply of power from outside would prove a blessing that could hardly be appreciated to-day. The present cumbersome delivery of coal to factories and private houses would be abolished, and a clean, neat, pleasant method substituted. The plant could be located at some convenient place in the suburbs or along the river front, where the city air would not be vitiated and poisoned by coal gases, dust and smoke. What applies to New York and Brooklyn would apply to many other cities. The tides of the Delaware and Chesapeake could be converted into inexhaustible power to give the cities along the coast a perfect and cheap electric plant. The great inland rivers are not so constant in the summer season as the tides of the rivers and bays along the Atlantic coast. The rush of the waters through the narrow inlets of our bays and rivers is so tremendous that enormous machinery could be propelled at a cost representing a small percentage on the capital in the plant. The present outlook is that the Niagara Falls Power company will in time run an electric conduit to New York to supply the motive and lighting power of the city and suburbs, unless some enterprising body of capitalists undertakes to utilize the wasted power of the tides nearer to home. A conduit capable of bringing 100,000 to 200,000 horsepower from Niagara would cost more than a four-track steam railway. The investment of a similar amount in collecting and storing the power of the tides in the North and East rivers ought to yield better results.

BOY AND CIGARETTE.

He Gets Badly Mixed Up with a Barrel Which Didn't Like Fire.

The venerable and familiar moral tale of the bad little boy who offered the circus elephant a chew of tobacco is far surpassed by the new and strictly truthful story of 11-year-old Harry Manning of Waltham, Mass., says Harper's Weekly. Harry had been learning to smoke cigarettes and one afternoon about a fortnight ago he was sitting on a barrel behind Northrup's grocery practicing when he heard footsteps. Not caring to smoke in company, he dropped his lighted cigarette into the bung-hole of the barrel on which he sat. The statement is that when the moral elephant in the other story received the chew of tobacco he seized Tommy, the evil-doer, by the coat collar with the thumb and finger of his trunk and threw him harshly out through the roof of the circus tent. The event in Harry's case was still more precipitous and surprising. The barrel he sat on contained naphtha and rejected the lighted cigarette with an instantaneous burst of emotion which sundered its hoops and gave Harry all the symptoms experienced by the boy who stood on the burning deck whence all but he had fled. Happily Harry came down in the same township in which he went up, and was identified and is still living with his parents, but another time he will drop his nose into an empty barrel before he drops his cigarette into it. The narrative of this adventure is here cheerfully recorded as a warning to boys who smoke cigarettes and for use in schools.

Canadians Growing Temperate.

The recent inland revenue returns showed for 1895 a considerable reduction on the consumption of spirits and malt in Canada, as compared with 1894. The figures have been much commented upon and in many cases looked upon as favorable as denoting a decrease in intemperance. It is sincerely to be hoped by all well-wishers of the country that that was the cause of the decreased revenue. But was it? There are those who say that hard times had as much to do with it as the inclination to temperance principles and the beneficial result therefrom. Be the one argument antagonistic to the other or not, one thing is certain and that is both agencies were at work and reduced the demand for liquor throughout the country.—Ottawa Free Press.

Appreciative.
"I tell you," exclaimed Dukane, "the are gallery at Carnegie library is meeting with unbounded admiration."
"That is right," replied Gaswell. "It certainly deserves all the encomiums lavished upon it."
"Yes," Dukane went on, "the public appreciate it. Now, I was looking at one of the masterpieces yesterday and just behind me I heard a woman expressing her deep admiration."
"What did she say?"
"She said: 'Ain't the frames lovely!'"—Pittsburg Chronicle-Telegraph.

FUSSY'S FATAL FISHING.

Desperate Efforts to Make Goldfish Her Prey.

Two small boys wildly gesticulating and uttering shrill cries of encouragement in front of a delicatessen store in upper Third avenue last Sunday afternoon attracted a crowd of persons, says the New York Herald. In the window was a large globe of goldfish, on either side of which was a pyramid of canned goods. On top of one of the pyramids which was a few inches higher than the rim of the globe, a half-grown cat was balancing herself. The most hasty glance left no doubt as to what the cat was doing there, for her hungry look was fixed on the globe, while the frightened fish were scurrying round and round in a vain attempt to escape from their crystal prison. It was quite a difficult job even for a cat to balance herself on the upturned end of a can of tomatoes. Then it was a long downward reach to the edge of the globe. More than a score of times the cat tried it. Often it seemed as if she had leaped so far forward that it would be impossible for her to regain her equilibrium, but a cat is quite at home at this trick, and the suppressed "Oh!" of the small boys would change to an exultant "hooray!" each time the cat performed it. At last, in one of her attempts to draw back, the cat was more clumsy than usual, and making a couple of wild claws in the air, she upset the top can and the whole pyramid came tumbling down in a clatter. It looked as if the fun was at an end, and many of the assembled crowd had moved away, when the cat reappeared and began to scale the other pyramid. At the first attempt this time she got one of her paws on the rim of the globe. It was a long reach and everybody could see that the cat was stretched out to almost her full length. To draw back was out of the question. Pussy saw this as well as the spectators. She rested a moment to gain strength and then gave a leap forward. The rim was very narrow, her front paws just landed beyond it, and in an instant the cat pitched head first into the globe. A wild shout announced to those on the outside of the crowd what had happened, and everybody pushed and shoved to see what the cat would do. It was easy to see that she was in a bad predicament. The globe, which narrowed with a sharp curve toward the top, was only two-thirds full of water. The cat kept swimming round and round, clatching wildly at the smooth globe in search of a purchase. The only way she might have got out was to sink to the bottom and leap right up through the top of the globe, but she kept on swimming as long as she had any strength, and when she rolled over on her back and turned up her toes even the two small boys slunk away with tears in their eyes.

The Colonial Hanging Cage.

The steamer T. W. Arrowsmith has brought to Washington the colonial hanging cage recently dug up near Bluff Point, in King George county, Virginia. This penalty for petit treason under the old law of England was inflicted where a serf killed his feudal lord and was extended in many cases to the murder of a husband by a wife. In America the willful murder of a master by a slave was held to be petit treason and was punished by hanging in chains. The fast example of that punishment in this section of the country was given near Alexandria in 1767-68, when several negro slaves were convicted at the Fairfax court, then held at that village, and hung in chains in an opening in the woods near where Christ church now stands. It is probable that the King George cage, with its victim, was hung in the air many months and was buried some time before the revolutionary war. The cage and its contents are the property of Mr. Cawood of King George county and will be sent to the Smithsonian Institution.—Baltimore Sun.

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